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OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR WORKING GROUP
ON COORDINATION OF PSB D-38, D-14c,
AND D-15b AND RELATED MATTERS CONCERNING
WESTERN EUROPE

1. The Operations Coordinating Board, on October 21, 1953, directed that PSB D-38, dated September 22, 1953, PSB D-14c, dated January 31, 1952, and PSB D-15b, dated February 21, 1952, be referred to one working group which will make recommendations thereon in light of current European developments, projected NSC action, and the responsibilities of OCB, reporting not later than February 20, 1954.

2. Pending action on this report, implementation of the above papers will continue. Representatives of the following agencies shall constitute a working group in order to facilitate inter-agency coordination thereof. The working group shall be chaired by a representative of the Department of State, with an Executive Secretary from the OCB staff;

- a. Department of State
- b. Department of Defense
- c. Foreign Operations Administration
- d. Central Intelligence Agency
- e. U. S. Information Agency and other agencies as determined by the OCB Executive Officer

3. The members of this working group shall keep informed and inform each other of the forward planning as it is developed within their departments in support and implementation of the above policies and programs and undertake to ensure the proper coordination of these plans and operation in accordance with National Security Policy. Such inter-agency coordination and reporting as may require unusual or non-routine development shall be conducted through the members of the working group or through such special mechanisms as may be established by OCB.

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4. In implementing these policies and programs, the working group shall constantly keep in mind the particular climate of opinion the United States is seeking to achieve.

5. In addition, the working group shall, on the basis of its cognizance of current planning, operation and new policy developments, initiate action or recommendations concerning amendments or modifications which might be occasioned by new developments, and shall make recommendations concerning new proposals which may appear to be desirable within existing policy. Any amendments or modifications which are of major significance with respect to magnitude or emphasis will be referred to the Operations Coordinating Board before being implemented. The working group shall report to the OCB serious gaps or omissions, as well as inconsistencies and ambiguities in implementation planning and operations.

6. The working group shall undertake to satisfy appropriate requests for such supplementary information or reports as may not be transmitted through routine channels.

7. With respect to PSB D-38, the members of the working group shall obtain necessary data concerning the implementation of this program and shall submit a consolidated report thereon to the OCB through the Executive Officer on or about February 20, 1954, in particular with reference to the major tasks of implementation set forth in detail in paragraph 4 of the Annex and summarized in paragraphs 2-4 of the basic program.

8. Particular attention is directed to security requirements governing the distribution of PSB D-14c and PSB D-15b.

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